

PROCLAMATION GREAT OUTDOORS MONTH JUNE 2009

WHEREAS, North Dakota citizens have a proud tradition of both safeguarding the environment and enjoying the outdoors; and

WHEREAS, a clean and sustainable environment contributes to our quality of life; and

WHEREAS, outdoor recreation promotes health, fitness and environmental awareness; and

WHEREAS, outdoor recreation is an ideal way to exercise and enjoy memorable experiences with family and friends watching wildlife, taking photographs, fishing, canoeing, hiking, boating, camping and participating in other exciting adventures; and

WHEREAS, it is important to maintain and enhance our legacy of environmental stewardship and enjoyment of the great outdoors by introducing children to nature; and

WHEREAS, Great Outdoors Month provides North Dakotans with opportunities to enjoy our state's various outdoor recreation areas and activities, to share them with family and friends and to make outdoor activities a regular part of their lives.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim June 2009, **GREAT OUTDOORS MONTH** in the state of North Dakota.

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